

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted mailed April 23, 2004, a copy of which is attached hereto, Applicants hereby authorize the United States Patent and Trademark Office to charge the filing fee, additional claims and surcharge of \$1,090.00 to Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No. 4119C7). The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any excess payments to Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No.4119C7). A Petition for Extension of Time for two (2) months with appropriate fee authorization is submitted herewith. This response is enclosed in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: <u>August 23, 2004</u>

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below. however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- · The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

 Additional claim fees of \$190 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$1090 for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$190

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- \$172 for 2 independent claims over 3.
- \$18 for 1 total claims over 20.

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